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**NOTICE OF MEETING OF THE ARIZONA VETERANS' SERVICE ADVISORY COMMISSION\***

**\*\* REVISED 1/9/11 AT 5:45 P.M. \*\***

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.02; notice is hereby given to the members of the Arizona Veterans' Service Advisory Commission, the Arizona Department of Veterans' Services, and to the general public of the next meeting of the Advisory Commission. The meeting will be open to the public on Thursday, January 12, 2012, at 10:00 a.m., in the Arizona State Veteran Home, 4141 N. 3<sup>rd</sup> St., Phoenix, AZ 85012

The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

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| 1. Call to Order<br>Pledge of Allegiance<br>Introduction and Welcome to Invited Guests  | Terrie Gent, Chair   |
| 2. Review and Approval of Minutes of the Last Meeting   | Advisory Commissioners   |
| 3. Communications   | Gabe Forsberg, ADVS State Women Veteran Coordinator                |
| 4. Regional Subcommittee Report   | Jeffrey Olson, Lionel Sanchez                                      |
| 5. Agency Announcements and Updates   | Joey Strickland, Director<br>AZ Dept. of Veterans' Services (ADVS) |
| 6. Auditor General Performance Audit Report<br><i>Fiduciary Division - December 2011, Report 11-03.</i> Briefing on the Agency's Actions Relating to Recommendations. | Joey Strickland, ADVS Director                                     |
| 7. Governor's Office of Boards and Commissions Communication  | Gary Fredricks   |
| 8. Legal Support for In-House Counsel for ADVS  | All Commissioners  |
| 9. Legislation Affecting Veterans   | See Attached.  |
| 10. Open Discussion / For the Good of the Order   | Advisory Commissioners   |
| 11. Adjournment   |  |

The Advisory Commission reserves the right to change the order of the agenda items and may vote to go into executive session, which will not be open to the public, for the purposes of discussion and consultation for legal advice with the attorney or attorneys of the public body or to discuss certain matters.

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A copy of the agenda background material provided to Commission members (with exception of material relating to possible executive sessions) is available for public inspection at the AZ Dept. of Veterans' Services, 3839 North 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Suite 209, Phoenix Arizona 85012. Telephone Number is (602) 234-8431.

*\* The regular monthly meetings are held at 10 a.m. at the Arizona State Veteran Home at 4141 N. 3rd Street (North S. Herrera Way), Phoenix, AZ 85012.*

*In the event the Commission needs to convene more quickly than a regular meeting allows, it will do so by scheduling a special telephonic meeting at the Director's Office. It will be posted in keeping with the open meeting law. The details of the meeting will be posted at [http://www.azdvs.gov/veteran\\_groups/meeting\\_agenda.aspx](http://www.azdvs.gov/veteran_groups/meeting_agenda.aspx) and a notice is sent out via email to all stakeholders who have expressed an interest in receiving information from the Commission.*

*Periodically, a regional meeting will be held outside the Phoenix area. Those meeting dates and locations are posted in accordance with open meeting laws.*

## ADVS State Veteran Legislation Update

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**Inclusion of any legislation in this report does not constitute endorsement of that legislation by the Arizona Department of Veterans' Services.**

*(Notations in Red represent new information or final action.)*

### ARIZONA SENATE

#### **SB 1001- military preservation; land exchanges**

Would amend the rules in exchanging State trust land for land that may impact military facilities in Arizona if a constitutional amendment is approved by voters.

**Primary Sponsor:**

Sen. John Nelson, R-Dist. 12, et. al.

**Latest Major Action: 9 Jan 2012-Hearing scheduled in Senate Committee on National Resources and Transportation pending introduction, first read and committee assignment in SHR 109, upon adjournment of floor.**

#### **SCR 1001- military preservation; land exchanges**

Would ask voters to amend Article X, Section 3 of the Arizona Constitution to allow the exchange of State trust land to prevent encroachment upon Arizona military facilities. Companion bill to SB 1001.

**Primary Sponsor:**

Sen. John Nelson, R-Dist. 12, et. al.

**Latest Major Action: 9 Jan 2012-Hearing scheduled in Senate Committee on National Resources and Transportation pending introduction, first read and committee assignment in SHR 109, upon adjournment of floor.**

### ARIZONA HOUSE

#### **HB 2020- honor and remember flag; half-staff**

Requires that the "Honor and Remember" flag be flown at half-staff when the United States flag is flown at half-staff at the Arizona Capitol building, county Superior Court buildings, the main administrative building of each county and at the city or town hall of each incorporated city or town.

**Primary Sponsor:**

Rep. Jack Harper, R-Dist. 4

**Latest Major Action:**

**HB 2042- fallen hero special plates (Pat Tillman Legacy Plate Act)**

Creates a "Fallen Hero special license plate in honor of Pat Tillman with monies raised going to the Pat Tillman Foundation for a scholarship program to aid all veterans especially veterans of Iraq and Afghanistan.

**Original Sponsor:**

Rep. Michelle Ugenti, R-Dist. 8

**Latest Major Action:**